

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (currently amended)

A dispenser for toothpicks and tablets, comprising:

2 first and second housing members attached together to
define a dispenser housing,

4 means to releasably attach the housing members together,

6 respective outlet openings for toothpicks and tablets
in at least one of the housing members,

8 separation wall means in a first one of the housing
members and spaced from an edge thereof to define a toothpicks
retaining chamber,

10 a plurality of first guide wall means disposed on at least
one of the housing members and having portions parallel to and
12 perpendicular to an outlet to guide a single toothpick to said
outlet, and

14 second guide wall means on one of said housing members and
defining a portion of the outlet for tablets and configured
16 to guide a single tablet to the outlet opening.

2. (original)

2 A dispenser according to Claim 1 wherein said
separation wall means is adapted to maintain toothpicks
oriented to facilitate their passing to the outlet.

3. (original)

2 A dispenser according to Claim 1 wherein a plurality
of posts are disposed near corners of one of said housing
members to engage in socket members on the other housing
4 member in a force-fit relationship to retain the housing
members together.

4. (currently amended)

2 A dispenser according to Claim 1 wherein the second
guide wall means has portions respectively parallel to and
perpendicular to an edge of a housing member to retain
4 ~~toothpicks~~ tablets and guide a single ~~toothpick~~ tablet to
said outlet.

5. (currently amended)

2 A dispenser according to Claim 1 and further
comprising a gate adjacent each respective outlet and
manually operable for dispensing a single toothpick via
4 said outlet for toothpicks.

6. (currently amended)

A dispenser for toothpicks and tablets, comprising:

2 first and second housing members attached together to
define a dispenser housing,

4 respective outlets for toothpicks and tablets in at least
one of the housing members,

6 separation wall means in a first one of the housing
members and spaced from an edge thereof to define a toothpicks
8 retaining chamber,

first guide wall means having respective portions parallel
10 to [[a-d]] and perpendicular to a toothpick outlet wall and to
guide a single toothpick to said outlet opening,

12 second guide wall means adapted and positioned to align
a toothpick with the toothpick outlet to eject a single
14 toothpick at a time, and

third guide wall means on one of said housing members
16 and defining a portion of said outlet for tablets and
configured to guide a single tablet to the outlet opening.

7. (original)

A dispenser according to Claim 6 wherein a plurality of posts are disposed near corners of one of said housing members to engage in socket members on the other housing member in a force-fit relationship to retain the housing members together.

8. (original)

A dispenser according to Claim 6 wherein the second guide wall means has portions respectively parallel to and perpendicular to an edge of a housing member to retain toothpicks and guide a single toothpick to said outlet.

9. (original)

A combination according to Claim 6 and further comprising a gate adjacent each of said outlets and manually openable to enable the dispensing of a single item therethrough, and being manually closable by engaging a housing member.

10. (Original)

2 A dispenser according to Claim 6, wherein said
third guide wall means defines a portion of an outlet.

11. (currently amended)

A dispenser for toothpicks and tablets, comprising:

2 first and second housing members define a dispenser
housing,

4 respective outlets for toothpicks and tablets in at least
one of the housing members,

6 separation wall means in a first one of the housing
members and spaced from an edge thereof to define a toothpicks.
8 retaining chamber,

10 first guide wall means having respective portions parallel
to and perpendicular to an outlet opening wall and defining a
toothpick compartment to guide a single toothpick to said outlet
12 opening,

14 second guide wall means on one of said housing members
defining a portion of said outlet opening for tablets and
configured to guide a single tablet to the outlet opening,

16 means to releasably attach the housing members together,
and

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11. (currently amended - continued)

18 a gate on at least one of the housing members adjacent
one of said respective outlets ~~[[an]]~~ and manually operable
20 to enable an item to pass through the outlet, said ~~[[ate]]~~
gate having a portion engagable with one of said housing
22 members in a force-fit to secure the gate over said outlet.

12. (original)

2 A dispenser according to Claim 11 wherein a
plurality of posts are disposed near corners of one of
said housing members to engage in socket members on the
4 other housing member in a force-fit relationship to retain
the housing members together.

13. (currently amended)

2 A dispenser according to Claim 11 wherein the second
guide wall means has portions respectively parallel to and
perpendicular to an edge of a housing member to retain
4 ~~toothpicks~~ tablets and guide a single ~~toothpick~~ tablet to said
outlet.

14. (original)

2 A combination according to Claim 11 and further
comprising a gate adjacent each of said outlets and manually
openable to enable the dispensing of a single item
4 therethrough, and being manually closable by engaging a
housing member.

15. (original)

2 A dispenser according to Claim 11 wherein separate
gates are provided, one for toothpicks and the other for
tablets.